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THE SELECTMEN,

Treasurer, Supt. School Committee

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TOWN OF UNITY,

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TREASURER'S REPORT

To Hiram N. Johnson, Esq., Auditor, and to the Town of Unity:

The undersigned, Treasurer of said town, respectfully submits the following report, required by law, showing, in detail, all the receipts aud disbursements of the treasury during the past year:

The Treasurer charges himself with the following sums of money, to wit:

Cash in the treasury March 11, 1884,			$439.97
1884.			
Apr. 15,	Received of Selectmen for old hearse,		5.00
May 3,	"	" "	3.50
July 7,	"	M. Johnson, tax for 1883,	15.54
Sept. 6,	"	F. Bailey, bounty,	35.70
Oct. 4,	"	Selectmen, for old town house,	16.43
"	"	Overseer of the poor, County pauper bill, Sept. term,	198.35
1885.			
Jan. 14,	Received from state treasurer, savings bank tax,		635.40
"	Received from state treasurer, literary fund,		83.44
Jan. 31,	Received of overseer of the poor, Co. pauper bills, Jan. term,		165.76
Feb. 26,	Received of Selectmen, balance for hearse,		4.22
"	Received of Selectmen for use of town house,		3.00
Received of C. R. Lewis, Collector, in monthly payments, taxes amounting to			2,293.42
Interest on same,			5.98
Amounting in all to			$3,905.71

And the treasurer discharges himself as follows:

Paid S. A. Carter, State tax,	$636.00	
County Treasurer, Co. tax,	682.95	
for support of County paupers,	370.82	
" town pauper,	27.00	

SCHOOL MONEY.

Paid F. F. Gilman, Com. Dist. No. 1,	$114.77	
L. B. Whittaker, " 2,	108.34	
M. Laclair, " 3,	64.88	
G. Straw, " 4,	65.49	
C. M. Judkins, " 5.	39.80	
G. S. Severance, " 6,	76.29	
N. A. Smith, " 8,	42.33	
N. T. Smith, " 9,	81.67	
G. Laclair, " 11,	50.91	
H. N. Johnson, " 12,	68.79	
S. M. Gee, No. 1, Newport,	11.10	
C. R. Jones, No. 12, "	7.50	
		$731.87
Paid bounty on woodchucks,		$107.50

DAMAGE TO SHEEP BY DOGS IN 1883.

Paid Wm. H. Dunham,	$5.00	
Israel P. Breed,	5.00	
I. W. Quimby,	4.00	
George Neal,	10.00	
C. Reed Lewis,	5.00	
U. M. Straw,	4.00	
M. W. Quimby,	4.00	
Daniel Barker,	2.50	
		$39.50

SCHOOL HOUSE TAXES.

Paid Bela Graves, Dist. No. 1,	$150.00	
F. L. Quimby, " 3,	40.00	
C. R. Jones, tax in Newport,	13.12	
		$203.12

BREAKING ROADS.

Paid Oliver Mandigo,	$4.50	
George S. White,	5.00	
John S. Crossman,	1.68	
M. V. B. Peck,	2.12	
E. P. Upham,	7.20	
Wm. Booth,	6.75	
Charles N. Wright,	2.00	
G. H. Breed,	5.00	
E. Walker,	6.75	
C. E. French,	3.00	
Levi A. Smith,	7.00	
		$51.00

REPAIRING ROADS AND BRIDGES.

Paid James J. Egan,	$6.57
C. N. Wright,	2.18
G. W. Morgan,	4.60
C. Crossman,	1.59
L. Barney,	3.75
R. J. Hall,	4.00
J. E. Reed,	1.92
C. E. Weed,	7.70
John Hatch,	2.00
G. A. Dunlap,	1.50
R. J. Hall,	2.50
L. B. Whittaker,	1.50
H. F. Stowell,	69
B. F. French,	1.75
L. A. Smith,	10.82
Abda Huntoon,	12.96
N. H. Gould,	6.31
G. J. Marshall,	9.00
G. Laclair,	6.00
J. Gove,	3.12
F. F. Gilman,	2 00
Sam'l Davis,	2.16
H. A. Walker,	4.40
E. P. Gove.	1.53
F. F. Gilman,	1.44

REPAIRING ROADS AND BRIDGES, CON'D.

Paid Harvey Sanborn,	$3.84	
S. C. French,	1.00	
L. J. Bartlett,	3.50	
		$110.33

WATERING TROUGHS.

Paid J. S. Barney,	$2.00	
Frank Bailey,	2.00	
E. P. Gove,	2.00	
L. Hall,	2.00	
E. P. Gove,	2.00	
F. F. Gilman,	2.00	
		$12.00

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES.

Paid Ira Colby, counsel,	$10.00	
E. P. Gove, for grave,	1.00	
F. Bailey, repairs to road machine,	.40	
G. H. Tyler, repairing road machine,	8.43	
H. N. Johnson, "	7.50	
N. Lufkin, damage to wagon,	8.00	
C. A. Allen, births and deaths,	.50	
F. Bailey, returning inventories,	2.00	
Selectmen, for stationery,	1.30	
J. M. Perkins, stationery, burial permits, &c.,	4.00	
L. A. Smith, railing on highway,	4.00	
J. Sears, damage to plows,	4.45	
F. Bailey, for stationery,	1.05	
R. J. Hall, building wall, east cemetery,	25.77	
F. Bailey, for books,	5.00	
		$83.40

TOWN OFFICERS.

Paid C. R. Lewis, sexton,	$6.00
F. F. Gilman, sexton,	9.00
Moses Johnson, "	5.00
Philip Ham, "	6.75
J. E. Currier, "	6.10
E. H. French, "	39.00

Paid S. Sleeper, boarding town officers,	$19.00	
J. P. Whittaker, tolling bell and taking care of hall,	14.52	
F. Wright, Supervisor,	3.00	
G. S. Severance, "	3.00	
C. A. Newton, "	6.00	
F. Wright, Supervisor,	6.00	
G. S. Severance, "	3.00	
A. and J. M. Perkins, making taxes, &c.,	20.00	
E. S. Bailey, Supt. School Com.,	37.48	
C. R. Lewis, Collector of taxes,	25.00	
" overseer of the poor,	30.50	
A. Perkins, town Treasurer,	16.00	
J. M. Perkins, Town Clerk,	20.00	
F. Bailey, Selectman,	40.00	
S. M. Gee, "	35.00	
L. A. Smith, "	35.00	
H. N. Johnson, Auditor,	3.00	
		$388.35
Amounting in the whole to the sum of		$3,443.84
Which taken from the sum charged, leaves a balance in the treasury of		$461.81

All which is respectfully submitted,

AMOS PERKINS, Treasurer.

Unity, Feb. 28, 1885.

AUDITOR'S REPORT.

The auditor chosen at the annual meeting of the town of Unity in March, 1884, for the ensuing year, submits the following report.

Valuation of the town of Unity for the year ending March 1, 1885:

Real and Personal estate,	$276,882.00
One hundred and ninety-six polls,	19,600.00
Total,	$296,482.00

MONEY TAX ASSESSED.

State tax,		$636.00
County tax,		682.95
School tax,		556.50
Town tax,		100.00
Per cent added,		70.00
Total,		$2,045.45

Rate of taxation on one hundred dollars, 69 cts.

Highway tax,	$1,000.00	

Rate of taxation on $100, 35 cts.

Non-resident highway tax,	$173.13	
School house tax, Dist. No. 1,	150.00	
" " " 3,	40.00	
12, Newport,	13.12	
Dog tax,	69.00	
Tax on property overlooked,	21.15	
Literary fund,	83.44	

FINANCIAL CONDITION.

Taxes committed to the collector the current year,	$2,425.25	
Interest collected on the same,	5.98	
Total,		$2,431.23
Collected and paid into the treasury,	$2299.40	
Abatements,	9.12	
Non-residents paid in labor,	45.15	
Total,		$2,353.67
Balance due from collector,	77.5 6	

ASSETS.

Bal. due from collector,	$77.56	
Due from state for bounties,	89.10	
Cash in treasury,	461.61	
Amount in favor of town,		$628.27

LIABILITIES.

Supt. School Committee, bill not presented,	$00.00	
Damage to sheep by dogs, not paid,	69.00	
Bal. in favor of town,		$559.27

The undersigned, having examined the selectmen's account finds it well vouched and correctly cast.

HIRAM N. JOHNSON, Auditor.

SCHOOL REPORT,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING MAR. 10, '85.

DIST. NO. 1.

Frank Gilman, prudential committee.

The spring term began, April 28, '84, under the instruction of Miss Carrie E. Gee, and continued 7 weeks. The whole number of different pupils attending two or more weeks was 19; the average daily attendance, 17. The number in reading, 19; spelling,19; penmanship, 19; arithmetic, 19; geography, 14; grammar, 7; and algebra 1. The number of public examinations in which parents and citizens have attended, 1. The marks of deportment, as found in the register, are excellent, ranging from 95 to 100 per cent. Those who have not been tardy during the term, as indicated in the "Roll of Honor", are Clara L. Endicott, Georgia A. Huntoon, Josie M. Huntoon, Lizzie M. Paul, Clara L. Thurber, Eddie M. Currier, and Albert L. Paul, Carrie L. Thurber, Ida M. Endicott. The number of visits by your Supt. were 2; and by parents and citizens, 11. Miss Gee has taught several terms in both district schools and academies, and her manner of instruction is excellent; much oral work being done, and good progress made.

The winter term began Oct. 29, under the instruction of Chas. V. French, and continued for 10 weeks. Whole number of pupils attending 22; the average daily attendance, 18 The number in reading, 22; spelling, 22; penmanship, 22; arithmetic, 20; geography, 13; grammar,7; physiology 4; and philosophy, 1. The number of public examinations, 1, which took place at the close of the term; only one half of the scholars were present. The attendance for the term was not very good; only one name, Ida M. Endicott, in the Roll of Honor. As for conduct, some disturbance was caused by many of the larger boys near the close of the term. We cannot expect a school to be a prosperous one when the larger scholars try to be masters. But this was no fault of the teacher; for those who attended and behaved themselves made marked improvement under his instruction. The number of visits by Supt. were 2; by Prud. Com. 2; and by parents and others, 33.

DIST. NO. 2.

Lovel B. Whittaker, prudential committee. The spring term began, May 12, with Miss Speedy A. Clough as teacher, and continued for seven weeks. Whole number of pupils atttending, 27; the average daily attendance, 24. The number in reading, 27; spelling, 27; penmanship, 18; arithmetic, 25; geography, 9; grammar,5; composition, 1; physiology, 1. The number of public examinations, 1 The deportment marks ranged from 50 to 100 per. cent., showing that many of the scholars did not behave as well as they should. The names in the Roll of Honor are Orin L. Bailey, Willie E. Hall, Walter S. Hall, Josie S. Kimball, Ruth E. Kimball, and Rosa A. Stone. The number of visits by Supt., 2; by Prud. Com., 1; and by parents and others, 57. The term was a success, much advancement being made in the studies.

The winter term began Oct. 27th, under the instruction and management of Mrs. Laura A. Hawkins, and continued for 10 weeks. The whole number of pupils,35; the average daily attendance, 33. The number in reading, 35; in spelling, 35; penmanship, 30; arithmetic, 35; geography, 18; grammar, 1; history, 1; physiology, 2; and algebra, 1. The number of public examinations, 1. The marks of deportment, excellent, ranging from 90 to 100 per cent.; the attendance also good. The names in the Roll of Honor for this term are Nellie G. Bailey; Nettie C. Hawkins, Johnnie Harrington,Cornelius Harrington, Albert Hall. Willie Hall, Homer Anderson, Anna Kimball, Annie E. Russell, Freeman J. Smith, Fred L. Smith,Arthur Smith,Anna M. Walker, Della A. York, Elijah W. Russell, Acil E. Russell.

The number of visits by Superintendant, 3; by the Prud. Com., 2; and by parents and others 57. Mrs. Hawkins is an experienced teacher, and she deserves the highest credit from the district for her faithful work, and in managing such a large ungraded school. Oral instruction was given in many studies, in which good progress was made; and all are satisfied.

DIST. No. 3.

Moses LaClair, prudential committee. The fall term began Aug. 4, with Miss Cathie A. Putnam as teacher, and continued for 15 weeks. The number of different pupils, 5; the average daily attendance, 3. The number in reading, 5; spelling, 5; penmanship, 3; and arithmetic, 3. The number of public examinations, 1. Marks of conduct very good, but the attendance was

very poor. Only one name, Ina M LaClair, in the Roll of Honor. The number of visits by Supt., 2; by Prud. Com., 1; and by parents and others, 24. When your Supt. visited the school near the close of the term, there was only one scholar present; she had learned very well.

Miss Carrie Crossman was to teach this school, but she failed to prove herself qualified and was refused a certificate.

DIST. No. 4.

Geo. E. Straw, prudential committee. The fall term began Aug. 18, with Miss Ina M. Cutts as teacher, and continued for 6 weeks. Whole number of pupils, 15; average daily attendance, 12. The number in reading, 15; spelling, 15; penmanship, 15; arithmetic, 13; geography, 3; grammar, 2; history, 1; and composition, 3. There was no record of conduct, and the attendance was not very good. The names in the Roll of Honor are Alice G. Watt, S. C. Watt, and Arthur S. Strickland. Number of visits by Supt., 1, as he was not notified in season when the term closed; and by parents and others, 7. This was Miss Cutts first term in teaching, and as far as your Supt. can learn she did not give good satisfaction. She would have continued as teacher, but it was not thought best that she should.

The winter term began Nov. 3, with Miss Susie G. Marshall as teacher, and continued for 8 weeks. The whole number of pupils 15; the average daily attendance, 11. The number in reading, 15; spelling, 15; penmanship, 13; arithmetic, 12; geography, 4; grammar, 2; history, 1; and composition, 3. Number of public examinations, 1; but not a very good satisfaction was shown. The deportment record was excellent; but only one name, Arthur S. Strickland, was in the Roll of Honor. The number of visits by Supt., 2; and by parents and others, 9.

Miss Cora A. Partridge, failing to give a satisfactory examination, was refused a certificate for this school.

DIST. NO. 5.

Caleb M. Judkins, prudential committee. The summer term began June 30, with Miss Luna J. Nichols as teacher, and continued 9 weeks. The number of different pupils, 6; the average daily attendance, 6. Number in reading, 6; spelling, 6; penmanship, 4; arithmetic, 4; and geography, 2. Conduct record good; but only one name, Laura L. Judkins, in the Roll of Honor. The number of visits by Supt., 2; by Prud. Com., 1; and by parents and others, 24. Complaint was made by parents with regard

to the time in the year which the school was taught; and also to the irregularity of the school hours. I think myself that some other season would have been preferable.

DIST. NO. 6.

Geo. S. Severence, prudential committee. The spring term began May 5, under the instruction of Miss Nellie L. Knights, and continued for 8 weeks. The number of different pupils, 9; the average daily attendance, 9. The number in reading, 9.; spelling, 9; penmanship, 4; arithmetic, 4; geography, 1; grammar, 1; composition, 1; and physiology, 1. The number of public examinations, 1. No deportment record kept; and though the attendance was almost perfect, only two names, Willis J. C. Gove, and Willie S Wells, are in the roll of honor. Number of visits by Supt., 2; by Prud. Com , 4; and by parents and others, 14.

The winter term began Oct. 27, with the same teacher, and continued for 10 weeks and 2 days. The number of different pupils, 16; average daily attendance, 13 No. in reading, 16; spelling, 16; penmanship, 7; arithmatic, 7; geography, 2; grammar, 2; composition, 2; and physiology, 1. Number of public examinations, 1. The names in the roll of honor are Minnie B. Severance, Willie S. Wells, and Frank Harwood. Number of visits by supt., 2; by parents and others, 3.

Miss Knights has taught in this districts several terms and the pupils under her instructions this year have made good improvement.

Norman A. Smith, prudential committee. The spring term began May 3d, with Miss Annie L. Smith as teacher, and continued sor eight weeks. Number of pupils, 5; average daily attendance, 5. Number in reading, 5; spelling, 5; penmanship, 1; and geography, 1. Number of public examinations, 1. The marks of deport were good, and the attendance excellent. The names in the roll of honor are Etta M. Bryant, Wesley N. Morgan, and June A. Smith. Number of visits by supt., 2; by Prud. Com., 2; and by parents and others, 8.

The fall term began Sept. 1, with the same teacher and continued for 6 weeks. Whole number of pupils, 4; the average daily attendance, 4. Number in reading, 4; spelling, 4; number of public examinations, 1. The names on the roll of honor are Etta M. Bryant, June A. Smith, Wesley N. Morgan, and Blanche Morgan. Number of visits by Supt , 1; by Prud. Com., 2; and by

parents and others, 10. The scholars of this district are all quite young, though they learned well, as they had the whole assistance of the teacher.

DIST. No. 9.

Noble T. Smith, Prudential Committee. The spring term began May 12, under the instruction of Miss Abbie E. Hall, and continued for seven weeks. The number of different pupils, 21; the average daily attendance, 19. The number in reading, 20; spelling, 20; penmanship, 12; arithmetic, 17; geography, 12; grammar, 1; history, 1; and composition, 4. The No. of public examinations, 1. The marks of deportment and the attendance very good. The names in the Roll of Honor are George B. Ordway, Chester P. Ordway, Emery G. Ordway and Arthur C. Ordway. The No. of visits by Supt., 2; by Prud. Com., 1; and by parents and others, 3.

The fall term began Aug. 25, under the instruction and management of Miss Ada A. Johnson, and continued for 9 weeks and 3 days. The No. of different pupils, 24; the average daily attendance, 21;. The No. in reading, 24; spelling, 24; penmanship, 13; arithmetic, 20; geography, 16; and grammar, 2. The No. of public examinations, 1. The attendance for this term was very good, and the deportment records excellent. The names in the Roll of Honor are George B. Ordway, Chester P. Ordway, Emery G. Ordway and Ernest E. French. The register also contained the names of several who have not missed in spelling during the term. The No. of visits by Supt. 2; by Prud. Com., 1; and by parents and others, 12. The scholars of both terms under Miss Hall and Miss Johnson, advanced very far in their studies, and took up everything thoroughly as was shown by the final examination.

DIST. No. 11.

Gilbert LaClair, Prudential Committee. The spring term began May 19, with Elmer H. Cutts as teacher, and continued for 6 weeks. The No. of different pupils, 7; the average daily attendance, 6. The No. in reading, 6; penmanship, 5; arithmetic, 6; geography, 2; grammar, 1; spelling, 6; and algebra, 1. There was no record of conduct kept, and there are no names in the Roll of Honor. No. of visits by Supt. 2; there were no other visitors.

The fall term began Aug. 25, under the instruction of Miss Spedie A. Clough, and continued for 8 weeks. The No. of dif-

ferent pupils, 9; the average daily attendance, 8. The No. in reading, 9; spelling, 9; penmanship, 5; arithmetic, 5; geography, 2; grammar, 1; composition, 1; physiology, 1, and algebra, 1. The No. of public examinations, 1, in which good satisfaction was given. The deportment marks were very poor, ranging from 50 to 100. Only one name. Burt C. Crossman, in the Roll of Honor. The No. of visits by Supt., 2; and by parents and others, 11.

Miss Cathie A. Putnam, and then Miss Anna M. Walker were each rejected a certificate to teach in this district because they were not qualified to instruct all the scholars.

DISTRICT NO. 12.

Hiram N. Johnson, prudential committee. The spring term began April 28, with Mrs. Clara E. Quimby as teacher, and continued 10 weeks. The number of different pupils, 12; average daily attendance, 11. Number in reading, 12; spelling, 12; penmanship, 12; arithmetic, 8; geography, 6; grammar, 2; history, 1; physiology, 1. Number of public examinations, 1. The attendance was very good. The names in the roll of honor are, J. Herman Dunlap, Nellie M. Eaton, Louie T. Johnson, Florence E. Lufkin, and Edwin S. Millen. Number of visits by Supt., 2; and by parents and others, 27.

The fall term began Sept. 10, under the same teacher, and continued for 7 weeks and three days. Number of different pupils 11; average daily attendance, 10. Number in reading, 11; spelling, 11; penmanship, 11; arithmetic 10; geography, 6; grammar, 2; history, 1; composition, 1; physiology, 1. The names in the roll of honor are J. Herman Dunlap, Edwin S. Millen, Edmund G. Johnson, Louie T. Johnson. Number of visits by the Supt., 2; by Prud. Com., 2; and by parents and others, 2.

After one week of vacation, the school continued five weeks and two days, under the same teacher, and with the same number of scholars, who continued the same studies as in the preceeding term. Number of visits by Supt., 1; by parents 2. The school for the year was very successful, for Mrs. Quimby is a thorough teacher in branches as far as she knows, and she is noted in particular for her power in governing a school.

SUMMARY.

The whole number of pupils attending school two or more weeks during the year is 157. The whole number of weeks of

school was 158. The average length of the school year for each district was 15 weeks, and four days, which is less than one-half what the town should provide. Number of terms, 19, and number of different teachers, 14. Average wages of teachers per month including board, $16.62.

SCHOOL HOUSES.

The school house in Dist. No. 1 has been repaired on the outside during the past summer at a cost of $256.13; and when completed on the inside it will make a good school house.

The school house in Dist. No. 2 is in good condition. The one in Dist. No. 3 is well furnished with school apparatus. That of Dist. No. 4 is in rather a bad condition, and when school began this year it contained as apparatus only a black-board three feet square. That of Dist. No. 5 is not very pleasantly located. The one in Dist. No. 6 is nearly new. That of Dist. No. 8 is not in very good repair. The one in Dist. No. 9 is in a very bad condition; not fit for school purposes. The one in Dist. No. 11 was also ornamented with a little black-board four feet by two, which was in proportion to the size of the building rather than to the number of scholars. A new one has been put in. The one in Dist. No. 12 is in rather a bad condition. A new building is needed.

Some new apparatus has been furnished the past year, and we need much more; for there are no books for reference in the schools, and only one is furnished with a dictionary.

REMARKS.

It has been the aim and duty of your Supt. to see that each school, without exception, was provided with a teacher qualified to instruct all the scholars, and then to see that each scholar began his work in the proper place in the text books, that he might make as much progress as possible. Steele's Physiology and a text-book on manners have been adopted in the schools this year: but not many scholars found time to study them. The schools as a whole throughout the town have been very successful, and the scholars have made good improvements considering the shortness of the school year.

MARTIN SEARS,

Supt. School Committee.

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